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Dear Sir:

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I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Accordingly, Applicant petitions the Commissioner to consider this information disclosure statement.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$180 and any additional costs or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

Respectfully submitted,

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